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For: SCANNING OPTICAL APPARATUS )      October 7, 2003  
AND IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS USING THE SAME )

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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the International Convention and all rights to which he is entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese Priority Application:

Japan 2000-233030, filed August 1, 2000.

A certified copy of the priority document was submitted in parent Application No. 09/917,742, to which Applicant claims domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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